

Amendments to the Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently amended): An information editing apparatus, comprising:

a first selecting device for selecting a thumbnail image from images corresponding to image information, the thumbnail image showing contents of recorded information which includes at least the image information and is recorded on a recording medium,

a second selecting device for selecting the thumbnail image from images other than the images corresponding to the image information in the recorded information, and

a recording device for recording first position information and second position information on the recording medium, the first position information indicating on the recording medium a recording position of image information corresponding to the image selected by the first selecting device, the second position information indicating on the recording medium a recording position of image information corresponding to the image selected by the second selecting device, a thumbnail image specifier effective flag showing whether any one of the image selected by the first selecting device is specified as the thumbnail image or any one of the image selected by the second selecting device is specified as the thumbnail image,

wherein the apparatus edits a reproduced form of the recorded information recorded on the recording medium.

Claim 2 (Original): The information editing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the thumbnail image selected by the second selecting device is an image obtained from external image information or an image recorded beforehand on the recording medium other than the images corresponding to the image information in the recorded information.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The information editing apparatus according to claim 1 [[or 2]], wherein when another image is selected by the second selecting device after the second position information is recorded, the recording device rerecords a recording position of image information, which corresponds to the additionally selected image, as new second position information on the recording medium.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): An information editing method, comprising:

a first selecting process for selecting a thumbnail image from images corresponding to image information, the thumbnail image showing contents of recorded information which includes at least the image information and is recorded on a recording medium,

a second selecting process for selecting the thumbnail image from images other than the images corresponding to the image information in the recorded information, and

a recording process for recording first position information and second position information on the recording medium, the first position information indicating on the recording medium a recording position of image information corresponding to the image selected by the first selecting process, the second position information indicating on the recording medium a recording position of image information corresponding to the image selected by the second selecting process, a thumbnail image specifier effective flag showing whether any one of the image selected by the first selecting device is specified as the thumbnail image or any one of the image selected by the second selecting device is specified as the thumbnail image,

wherein the method edits a reproduced form of the recorded information recorded on the recording medium.

Claim 5 (Original): The information editing method according to claim 4, wherein the thumbnail image selected by the second selecting process is an image obtained from external image information or an image recorded beforehand on the recording medium other than the image corresponding to the image information in the recorded information.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The information editing method according to claim 4 [[or 5]], wherein when another image is selected by the second selecting process after the second position information is recorded, the recording process rerecords a recording position of image information, which corresponds to the additionally selected image, as new second position information on the recording medium.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An information editing program for causing a computer to act as a first selecting device, a second selecting device, and a recording device,

the computer being included in an information editing apparatus for editing a reproduced form of recorded information which includes at least image information and is recorded on the recording medium,

the first selecting device selecting a thumbnail image from images corresponding to the image information, the thumbnail image showing contents of the recorded information recorded on the recording medium,

the second selecting device selecting the thumbnail image from images other than the images corresponding to the image information in the recorded information,

the recording device recording first position information and second position information on the recording medium, the first position information indicating on the recording medium a recording position of image information corresponding to the image selected by the first

selecting device, the second position information indicating on the recording medium a recording position of image information corresponding to the image selected by the second selecting device, a thumbnail image specifier effective flag showing whether any one of the image selected by the first selecting device is specified as the thumbnail image or any one of the image selected by the second selecting device is specified as the thumbnail image.

Claim 8 (Original): The information editing program according to claim 7, wherein the thumbnail image selected by the second selecting device serves as an image obtained from external image information or an image recorded beforehand on the recording medium other than images corresponding to the image information in the recorded information.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The information editing program according to claim 7 [[or 8]], wherein when another image is selected by the second selecting device after the second position information is recorded, the recording device is caused to rerecord a recording position of image information, which corresponds to the additionally selected image, as new second position information on the recording medium.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): An information recording medium for recording the information editing program according to ~~any one of claims 7 to 9~~ claim 7.